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## Stamas Sponsors Military Appreciation Month Resolution

*May 2003 to be recognized as Military Appreciation Month*

LANSING – State Senator Tony Stamas, R-Midland, announced Senate Resolution 83 declaring May as Military Appreciation Month in Michigan to honor the legacy of courage and sacrifice of all those who have served and are now serving our country.

“I am honored to join the citizens of Michigan in paying tribute to those individuals whose courage and devotion to duty preserves the freedom we cherish as Americans,” Senator Stamas said. “Their selfless service often demands enormous sacrifice not only by those who serve but from their families as well.”

The resolution states, “From our earliest days as a nation, our United States Armed Forces have acted with great courage and valor to defend, protect and preserve the liberty we cherish.....The eyes of our nation have been riveted on the bravery of our Armed Forces in Iraq, it is especially fitting at this time to honor the legacy of strength, courage and sacrifice of all those who have served and are now serving our country. Whether active duty, National Guard or Reserve, our military has stood ready in times of peace and in times of conflict to answer our nation’s call to duty...”

“I encourage Michigan citizens to pay special homage to all former, current and future veterans,” Stamas said.

**EDITOR’S NOTE: A photo of Senator Stamas is available at**  
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